

January 27, 2010

Ms. Amanda J. Iovino Campaign Finance Analyst Federal Election Commission Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: 30 Day Post-Special Report (10/15/09 - 11/23/09)

Dear Ms. Iovino:

This letter is written in response to the Federal Election Commissions (the FEC Commissions12/24/09) preliminary review of the above-referenced report. As an initial statement with regard to the original filing, we want to provide the Commission with the information that the campaign utilized an internet credit card service processor to process our credit card donations. The use of this particular company proved to cause the campaign numerous problems as a result of their errors, some of which have caused the Commission to issue its letter requesting further information from the Campaign. While we intend to address each of your enumerated issues, solely as an example, the Commission has asked that the Campaign provide a reason why certain required 48 hour information was not reported either timely or in accord with the rules. The problem was that, while the donation may state that it was for \$1,000.00, it turned out that information was erroneous because the donation was really for \$100.00 and the internet credit card service processor made the error. The Campaign had to hand sort through thousands of transactions and batch reports to not only correct the errors made by the internet credit card service processor but also to ensure that the Campaign"s financial records were correct.

Hereafter the Campaign will address each paragraph and issue as enumerated by the Commission:

1. Other than the typographical error made with respect to R. Raudio, which should have read that the contribution was \$2,000.00 and not \$200,000.00 and the double entry of Every Republican is Crucial (ERICPAC) of \$5,000.00 twice on 11/3/09, the remaining entries on the attached sheet have been corrected. First, the respective designation of the contribution were corrected from Special to the correct entry of Primary or General. Second, with regard to the entry for Ms. Sandra A. Taylor, the initial Treasurer incorrectly accrued a future salary obligation as an accounts payable. The amount should be and has been removed as a contribution, because it wasn=t one, and removed as an accounts payable because it was not an accounts payable at the time it was recorded as such. With regard to the contribution of McLaughlin & Associates, again the initial Treasurer recorded as an accounts payable an anticipated invoice from McLaughlin & Associates that was incorrect by that \$660.00. When the invoice was submitted,

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it was for less than the Treasurer has recorded and was paid. A mistake was made and rather than reducing the accounts payable by the difference in the invoice, an incorrect entry was made indicating that the difference was a contribution when in fact it was not. The contribution in question from T/L/S Associates was an input mistake from a hired temp that should have actually been a in-kind contribution made by T/L/S and has been corrected..